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Weather Forecast—Fair Wednesday and Thursday.

The New White Goods Welcome You To-Day.

We want the White Goods to be first in your thoughts to-day, as they are in our store news. You wouldn't have imagined a few years ago that so many beautiful fabrics could be created without a touch of color about them, but the head that designs and the loom that carries out the plans have so worked together that pure white is now one of the leaders for spring and summer wear, and we believe that heavier white fabrics will soon be competitors for all the year round favor.

The mercerizing process has a great deal to do with the extension of the white goods field, as a well mercerized cloth looks just as well or even better after laundering.

Our white goods welcome to-day contains the best we could find in the market. We'll not go over everything in detail, but just to show you how the values run, take our English long cloth for example. It's made of the best Egyptian combed cotton. Our domestic cotton is good, but the Egyptian is better and the combining process frees it from all the little knots you'll sometimes find in the home cottons.

Another one of the newest of the white fabrics is the Tamise Cloth. You know we advertised this in colors the other day and what a beautiful thing you found it to be. It's even more so in the white.

- 10c Satin Striped Batiste.** 50c is the usual price for this beautiful piece of goods, but a special lot we purchased enables us to sell it below that figure. It's 32 inches wide, in dots and small figures.
- 10c Fine Cambric.** 32 inches wide. It's finer than a Lonsdale that costs more.
- 15c Berkley Cambric.** 36 inches wide, soft finish and very light weight.
- 12 1/2c English Long Cloth.** Goods in the market, many of them of very inferior quality. Ours at this price are of the very best and as good as imported fabrics sold at a much higher price.
- 16c Scotch Cambric.** made expressly for shirt waists, 32 inches wide and in small checks.
- 19c English Madras.** one of the newest waist fabrics, in plain satin and figured stripes. Very soft finish, 32 inches wide.
- 20c English Madras.** with a mercerized stripe, with the weave on the order of an Oxford cloth, but much lighter weight, narrow stripes. An imported fabric exactly similar would cost you 25c.
- 16 3/4c Pique.** in narrow and medium wale. Very good value.
- 19c Pique.** in narrow and wide wale, raised cords, small and medium sized figures.
- 25c Novelty Pique.** This is one of the prettiest Pique fabrics ever produced. It's of a soft finish, medium weight, narrow and wide stripes with small neat figures.
- 50c Mercerized Damask.** price for this beautiful piece of goods, but a special lot we purchased enables us to sell it below that figure. It's 32 inches wide, in dots and small figures.
- 25c Tamise Cloth.** A Mercerized Tamise, very sheer and light weight.
- 25c Imported Mercerized Oxford.** in plain weaves and herringbone effects, light weight.
- 42c Italian Grenadine.** One of the most exquisite of the spring fabrics. A sheer fine cloth, in narrow stripes and imported to sell for 50c. Our price to-day is a special one.
- 59c Cambric Tucking.** 32 inches wide, narrow tucks.
- 69c Cambric Tucking.** with fancy lace stripes. A very good value.
- 50c Revereing.** 40 inches wide, drawn work. Something out of the ordinary at this figure.
- 65c Revereing.** 40 inches wide. Small figured stripes.
- 89c Dimity Tucking.** 27 inches wide, fine dimity cords with small clustered tucks.
- \$1.39 Wash Chiffon.** It's very sheer and much better than an Organdy tucking, because it's a soft finish and will stand washing.

New Books and Stationery---Audrey! \$1.08.

Audrey the latest novel by Miss Mary Johnston. A tale of Virginia in the 18th Century, by this gifted and popular authoress. Miss Johnston's "Prisoners of Hope" and "To Have and to Hold," both of which are in our Book Department. She is easily one of the leading writers of the day and her latest work more than sustains her reputation—\$1.08 per volume.

Our Stationery Department is now prepared to take orders for First-Class Engraving of all kinds, including Reception, Visiting and Wedding Cards.

If you already have a plate and need more cards bring it to us.

MILLER & RHOADS.

HOUSE VOTES TO EXTEND SESSION

Resolution Adopted by a Large Majority.

MR. BLAND'S BILL IS PASSED

Is Now Up to the Senate—Dr. LeCato Submits Report of the Penitentiary Commission—Legislative Gossip.

By a vote of 67 to 19 the House of Delegates yesterday adopted the joint resolution offered by Mr. Wallace extending the session of the General Assembly for thirty days after March 4th without pay. There was a brief but spirited wordy battle between Messrs. Jennings, of Lynchburg, and Poncey, of Manchester, in which the latter termed the former a "chronic kicker" for opposing his bill entitled an act to protect consumers of coal. Mr. Jennings protested against the term being applied to him, and there the matter ended.

The Bland quarantine bill was passed in the House by a vote of 45 to 21.

The House concurred in the Senate joint resolution to name a commission to study the oyster laws of the two States. In the Senate Lieutenant-Governor Willard announced three members of the said commission on the part of the Senate, as follows: Messrs. Sale, Walker and Dr. LeCato, on the part of the Penitentiary Commission, submitted the report of that body, and it was ordered printed.

Both the Senate and House adjourned at 1:30 P. M. until noon to-day.

The Senate convened at noon, Lieutenant-Governor Willard in the chair. No prayer was offered. A number of House bills of a local character went to committee or were placed on the calendar.

The appointment of Messrs. Sale, Walker and Bruce as members of the joint committee to meet a similar committee of the Maryland Legislature for the consideration of the oyster interests of the two States, was announced.

An act for the protection of partridges and game in the county of Stafford was passed.

Several committees reported bills of a local character, which went to the calendar.

A bill incorporating the Library Association of Bedford City was introduced by Mr. Clayton and was passed.

Mr. LeCato on behalf of the commission appointed to look into the conditions existing at the penitentiary and reformatory, with recommendations, submitted a report. Mr. LeCato said a minority report would be made.

The majority recommended that the sum of \$200,000 be appropriated for the improvement of the penitentiary, and that the revenue from the prison for two years be similarly expended. The minority report, signed by Mr. Stoner, of Boletown, recommends that \$100,000 be appropriated for the purchase of an additional convict farm and for the building of a laundry, kitchen and natatorium at the penitentiary.

LONG DISTANCE BILL. Mr. Garrett introduced a bill to incorporate the Long Distance Company of Ridgeway, Virginia. It provides that George O. Jones and others shall constitute a body politic and corporate under the name of the Long Distance Telephone Company of Ridgeway, Virginia. The second section of the bill provides that "the company shall have power to construct, equip, maintain and operate lines of telephone and telegraph, or both, and telephone exchanges throughout the State of Virginia and other States and territories of the United States and the District of Columbia. It may construct and acquire by lease, purchase or other-

wise and maintain and operate telephone and telegraph lines, or either, with all necessary fixtures and appliances in and under and along the streets, alleys and highways and through and across the same in this State, in any city, town or county in the State of Virginia, with the consent of the Council of said city or town, in so far as the same may not be in conflict with the laws of the State."

OTHER PROVISIONS. Another section reads: "There is hereby given any other corporation, whether chartered by the laws of this State or any other State or territory or otherwise, to sell out of this company, and said company may dispose of any or all of its property, privileges and franchises hereby granted or which may hereafter be granted or conferred upon it, including the right to be a corporation."

The capital stock is put at from \$10,000 to \$50,000, but may be indefinitely increased, provided only the proper license tax is paid the State.

The following are to be the officers: President, George O. Jones; Treasurer, George I. Griggs; Secretary and General Manager, Dr. J. Beverly Deshaize, Jr.; Directors, above and W. T. Deshaize, Sr., and W. T. Deshaize, Jr., all of Ridgeway.

The home office of the company is to be at Ridgeway.

"All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed in so far as they are inconsistent."

CHANGES OF RAILROAD TRACK. Several bills on the calendar referring to power of railroads to change the location of tracks. Mr. Cogbill made an earnest speech in opposition. He declared it was most dangerous to amend a general law so as to allow a railroad company to change its line. In effect, it took from the people the right to direct the location of tracks, and in assessing damages for a right of way benefits conferred by a railway had to be taken into consideration. He wanted delay at the least.

Mr. Wickham, patron of the bill, said he had no objection to postponement of the bill, but he would not yield to Mr. Bryant's suggestion that the bill be recommitted. Finally, it was made the special and continuing order for Friday at 1 o'clock.

BILLS PASSED. To prohibit catching of trout in the waters of Grayson county. To incorporate Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company to maintain dam across James River. To incorporate the Copper Range Southern Railroad Company. To incorporate the Roanoke Industrial and Agricultural Association.

To amend charter of Lynchburg in relation to city engineer, city surveyor, and city clerk. To amend charter of Lynchburg in relation to consolidation of city engineer and city surveyor. To authorize Prince Edward to vote on an appropriation for county road improvement.

By Mr. Wallace: For relief of Rappahannock Mining and Milling Company. By Mr. Sale: To incorporate the Norfolk and Berkley Bridge Company. By Mr. Sale: To appropriate \$25 to pay for uniforms of Division B, Virginia Naval Reserves. By Mr. Mann: To require commission-ers to examine certain inventories and appraisements. By Mr. Mann: To amend code in relation to ascertaining value of land wanted for asylum or public purpose.

By Mr. Cromwell: To authorize school trustees of Norfolk county to borrow money. By Mr. Bryant: For relief of W. A. Bland. By Mr. Bryant: To incorporate Executive Committee on Ministerial Relief of the Southern Presbyterian Church. By Mr. Anderson: In relation to fiduciaries and the settlement of their accounts.

By Mr. Bruce: To incorporate the Sand River Railroad Company. By Mr. Bruce: Authorizing Board of Pharmacy to register C. F. Bruce as a pharmacist. By Mr. Byars: To amend charter of Holston River and Eastern Railway. By Mr. Widdie: To require Board of Pharmacy to register Fred. S. Hochbach. By Mr. Hutchison: To amend charter of the Charlotte County Railway Company.

By Mr. Moon: To empower county of Buckingham to construct a bridge across the James at Winganoan. By Mr. Moon: To authorize town of Columbia to levy license taxes. By Mr. Clayton: For the relief of Mrs. Judith P. Subitt, widow of a Confederate soldier.

By the same: For the relief of Martha Stinnett, widow of a Confederate soldier. By the same: For the relief of Frances Welch, widow of a Confederate soldier.

House Proceedings. The House was called to order at noon by Speaker Ryan, and prayer was offered by Rev. P. B. Price.

The readings of Monday's Journal was dispensed with, and the body went immediately to work. The Speaker laid before the House the Senate joint resolution appointing a commission to reform the oyster laws of the State, and it was concurred in, on motion of Mr. Cardwell.

When the calendar was reached Mr. Ryan took the floor (Mr. Cardwell in the chair) to speak in favor of Mr. Jennings' motion to reconsider the vote by which the House on Friday rejected Mr. Wallace's resolution to extend the session for thirty days after March 4th. He spoke ably in favor of the extension of the session. Mr. Boaz opposed setting the question now, and said there was no use of crossing the bridge until it was reached. Mr. Lee spoke along the same line. Mr. Churchman spoke in favor of the resolution, and it was opposed by Mr. Newhouse.

Mr. Green thought the matter should be settled now and he favored the resolution, though he had previously voted against it. The same view was expressed by Mr. Heermaus, Mr. Lewis opposed the resolution, and Mr. Ryan called attention to the fact that there were only six days of the regular session left. Mr. Wallace spoke ably for a reconsideration of the resolution, and Mr. Christian called the pending question. It was ordered and the motion to reconsider prevailed: yeas, 55; noes, 19.

ADOPTED IN A WHIRL. The resolution was then adopted by the following vote on roll call: Ayes—Messrs. Angell, Armstrong, C. C. Baker, W. V. Baker, Biscoe, C. T. Bland, G. C. Bland Bowerman, Branch, Cannaday, Cardwell, Carter, Caton, Christian, Churchman, Davis, Dudley, Edmundson, Elam, Folkes, Gardner, Garrett, George, Goodwin, Green, Harman, Heermaus, Hibbetts, Jordan, Jennings, Jones, E. C. Jordan, Walter Jordan, Kelley, Lacy, Lassiter, Lowry, Lyell, Matthews, Mays, McLean, McPeak, Mort, Nottingham, Orsain, Owens, Pardy, Quisenberry, Rice, Robson, Seydel, Settle, Simmerman, Sipe, J. V. Smith, Southall, Stafford, Stearns, Taylor, Turpin, Walker, Wallace, Ware, Weaver, Whitehead, Woodward and Mr. Speaker—67.

Noes—Messrs. Allen, Bonz, Cabell Coleman, Duke, Ekins, Featherston, Hornman, Huff, Lee, Lewis, Lion, Moore, Newhouse, Owens, Reynolds, Blackburn Smith, Snead and Toney—19.

TER-CENTENARY MEASURE. The Norfolk Ter-Centenary measure was passed by until to-day, on motion of Mr. Davis.

When the Bland quarantine bill was reached on the calendar Mr. Owens, of Norfolk county, called the pending question. Mr. Whitehead endeavored to reject his fight, but was declared by the Chair out of order, and the bill was passed by a vote of 45 to 21.

When Mr. Toney's bill for the protec-

tion of consumers of coal came up, it was opposed by Messrs. Jennings, of Lynchburg, and Toney, of Richmond, who claimed that the measure did not protect the consumer. The bill allows consumers at their pleasure to have their coal weighed at public scales. Mr. Toney and Mr. Jennings had some warm words over the matter. The former said he was not surprised at the objection offered by the latter, as he was well understood to be a "chronic kicker." Mr. Jennings objected to being thus termed, and Mr. Toney, who meant what he said, said the gentleman from Lynchburg had always opposed any measure offered by himself. The bill went over until to-day.

The House at 1:30 P. M. adjourned until noon to-day.

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED. By Mr. J. W. Smith: To allow Silas B. Collins, of Lee county, to change his name.

By Mr. Bowman: For the protection of certain birds in Virginia. By Mr. Stearns: A memorial from citizens of York county in relation to change in the oyster laws of the State.

By Mr. Whitehead: To amend the charter of the Bay Shore Terminal Company. By Mr. Hibbetts: For the relief of R. L. Baker.

By Mr. Lowry: For the relief of the Rappahannock Mining and Milling Company.

By Mr. C. T. Bland: For the relief of Asahel Cushing.

By Mr. Harman: To amend the law in relation to the salaries of certain officers at the penitentiary.

By Mr. Allen: For the relief of Mrs. P. P. Dillie.

By Mr. Quisenberry: Resolutions from the Lee-Jackson Camp Confederate Veterans, of Lexington, on the subject of pensions.

PLACED ON THE CALENDAR. The following bills were placed on the calendar without reference to committees:

By Mr. Woodward: To incorporate the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce.

By Mr. Norton: To amend the charter of the town of Cape Charles.

SENATE BILL PASSED. Prescribing the manner of working and keeping in repair the public roads of Alleghany county, Virginia.

HOUSE BILL PASSED. To amend sections 3 and 7 of an act to establish a quarantine commission for the district of Elizabeth river, so as to give the board of commissioners authority to appoint a quarantine medical officer.

To amend an act to amend an act providing for the working, opening, and keeping in repair the roads in the county of Cumberland, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in said county, approved March 3, 1888.

To incorporate the Atlantic Coast Telephone Company.

To refund to Tazewell Elliot \$1,500 erroneously paid into the treasury.

For the relief of George H. H. Tripp from the payment of a fine imposed by the Circuit Court of Grayson County.

To close certain streets and alleys formerly laid off through a plat of land now owned by the Riverview cemetery and other lands adjoining, now used as farming lands.

To incorporate the Appalachian Conduit Company.

To validate certain deeds in the clerk's office of Southampton county court made to the trustees of Black Creek Baptist church.

To protect food fish in the fresh-water ponds of westernmost county.

To permit Orren Lyne Shackleford, of Warsaw, to appear before the Court of Appeals of Virginia and take the required examination for a license to practice law.

For the relief of the treasurer of Giles county and his deputies.

To amend an act for the improvement of public roads in Wythe county.

To authorize the Council of the city of Roanoke, Virginia, to redeem the bonds of the town of Roanoke now outstanding, and the bonds of the city of Roanoke now outstanding as they become redeemable, at the option of the city of Roanoke, and for that purpose to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor.

To amend an act entitled an act to legalize a certain election held by the qualified voters of Floyd county, Virginia, for the purpose of subscribing to the stock of the Rogers and East ern Railroad Company.

To amend and re-enact section of the

COULDN'T DO IT.

Milk Diet Failed.

Food that will actually lift one out of a sick bed is worth knowing of. A Chicago lady writes: "I want to tell of a positive cure Grape-Nuts Food has made in my case that was considered almost hopeless."

"I know you do not look upon Grape-Nuts as a food, but it certainly does build up worn out systems, it seems to me it is closely allied to a tonic. Now my case. I had been ill and was taken to one of the hospitals, but weeks before entering the hospital she had been able to take nothing but milk to nourish her, all other foods distressed the stomach so much that she tried to live on the milk alone."

"The doctor in the hospital endeavored to keep her alive with broth and other food, but her stomach refused to retain anything but milk, and very little of that at a time."

"I worked away at the resident physician until he consented to my taking her home to see what the change would do for her. The poor child was so very weak and nervous and so frail that I felt quite dubious about the outcome, nevertheless I knew enough about Grape-Nuts Food, which I intended to give her, to feel that it would bring her out. After she had rested a little while I warmed some milk and poured it over a tablespoonful of Grape-Nuts and persuaded her to take it. She did so with fear and trembling, for she did not expect to keep the food down. After twelve months of food I started to read her a story, and although it was an interesting one, she fell asleep. When she finally awoke her first words were: 'Did I really keep Grape-Nuts?'"

"She had kept them, but could scarcely believe it. After two or three hours, I gave her a little more with the same good result. Gradually and cautiously I increased the amount until after a few days she was able to eat a saucer full with no bad effects."

"She lived on Grape-Nuts entirely and gained strength so rapidly that she soon recovered, and now recommends Grape-Nuts to all her friends. She says she would be glad to have anyone who is suffering from stomach trouble write her and she will tell what Grape-Nuts Food has done for her, and how grateful she is to the man who had the foresight to manufacture a food already digested so that weak stomachs can take it. Her name is Lillie M. Gossab, No. 418 Washington Ave., Chicago."

"A clergyman of our acquaintance eats a dish of Grape-Nuts before preparing his sermon. I asked him once if he got inspiration from the food. He said: 'Not only that, but it seems to clear my mind and make my words more effective. I have come much more quickly. Just think about one's stomach not having to think about digesting Grape-Nuts at all; they have done the digesting themselves, and all we have to do is to take the palate left. My husband told me that he would rather dispense with any article of food on the table than Grape-Nuts.'"

"We eat the food regularly with sometimes a little fresh or canned fruit added. I get no other food. My husband told me in thinking you heartily for its manufacture." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1894, in relation as to how and when, and on what basis, assessments of lands could be made.

FIRE IN HALFWAY HOUSE.

Mr. Rubin Had No Insurance on His Stock of Goods.

Mr. J. H. Rubin, who kept the store located across the turnpike, in Chesterfield, from the Halfway House, three and a half miles from Chester, which was burned Friday night, was in the city to-day, and stated that he had no insurance on his stock.

The store was owned by Mr. L. Blacker, but the stock of goods was Mr. Rubin's, and there was no insurance on either.

The telephone wire sagged down until it came in contact with the high current wires of the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railroad and this set the house on fire.

Mr. Rubin was the postmaster of the office which bears his name, and all the Government property in connection with the post-office was burned.

The telephone wire, which fell to the ground, severely shocked Mr. Rubin, who trod on it, and also knocked his horse down Saturday morning when he drove over it.

The point where the telephone wire came in contact with the wires of the electric company was eight miles from his store.

The dwelling of Mr. James Belwood, in which there was a telephone on the same current, was also set on fire. Mr. Belwood heard a noise in his phone and went to it, but when he put his hand on it was knocked across the room by the shock. The house caught where the wire entered the building, but Mr. Belwood cut the wire and put the fire out.

WOUND WAS FATAL.

Mr. Shepherd Dies From Injuries Inflicted By His Own Hand.

Mr. J. M. Shepherd, who, as reported in The Times, shot himself in the head yesterday morning at his residence, No. 1715 Venable Street, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the Old Dominion Hospital. Every effort was made to pull him through, but without avail.

For the past year Mr. Shepherd had been in bad health and about a week ago was taken worse. His suffering Sunday last and Monday was intense, and early Tuesday morning gary lay beyond bearing. In a fit of mad desperation, he seized a pistol and shot himself in the head. When discovered by his relatives he was in a dangerous condition and was immediately removed to the Old Dominion Hospital. Medical skill was exerted to save him, but in vain.

Mr. Shepherd was fifty-two years of age and was unmarried. He leaves but two relatives, his sister, Mrs. J. H. Mundy, and one brother, Mr. Thomas Shepherd, over thirty years hence, a resident of Richmond all his life and was quite well known. The cause for his suicidal action is apparent. The fact that he was not at work would not have influenced him in any way, since he was pretty well recovered from his illness, suffering brought on the fit of delirium. In the midst of which he turned his hand against himself.

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS.

Seaboard Trains Running Over Coast Line Tracks—Other Notes.

The trains of the Seaboard Air Line are still running over the tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line, but the bridge at Norlina will probably be repaired by noon to-day, when trains will resume running over their own lines. The northbound train due here yesterday at 3 o'clock was about two hours late.

A special train over the Atlantic Coast Line will arrive here this morning at 10 o'clock with a party of about twenty and seventy-seven members of the Wisconsin Lumber Dealers' Association aboard. The party, which is on its return from the Charleston Exposition, will spend part of the day here, and then go on to Washington over the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad.

C. H. Bosley, district passenger agent of the Norfolk and Western, has gone to Norfolk on business.

John E. Wagner, city ticket agent of the Norfolk and Western, has returned from a business trip to Roanoke, Va., and Bluefield, W. Va.

Mr. W. L. Guillaud, of New York, president of the United Fruit Steamship Company, is in the city and was a caller yesterday at the office of President Stevens, of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

The following is a comparative statement of the approximate earnings of the Seaboard Air Line system for the second week ending February 19, 1902: 1901, \$231,433; Decrease, \$3,754. Two weeks ending February 15, 1902, \$173,190; 1901, \$173,190; Decrease, \$21,425. July 1st to February 15, 1902, \$7,622,738; 1901, \$6,667,123; Increase, \$955,615.

SECRET ORDERS.

Hockoe Council and Richmond Elks to Meet To-Night.

Shockoe Council Royal Arcanum will meet to-night, at which time fifteen new members will be initiated. A social session will follow the business meeting. The council quartette will make its first appearance and addresses will be made by Bro. H. H. Hockoe, to-wit: Z. P. Smith and George McD. Blake.

Richmond Lodge of Elks will meet in regular session to-night. A number of candidates will be up for election.

A CALLED MEETING. Board of Aldermen to Meet in Special Session To-Morrow Night.

The Board of Aldermen has been called to meet to-morrow night at 8 o'clock to confer in the result of a meeting to-night by the Common Council asking the Legislature to amend the city's charter so as to confer additional power on the Council, the idea being to improve the city's water plant.

Entertain Delegates. Arrangements for the entertainment of the delegates to the Woman's Home Mission Society Executive Board meeting, which is to be held here in the near future, are being made by a local committee.

A meeting for that purpose was held Monday morning at the home of Mrs. Helen G. Manson, No. 312 East Franklin Street. All the Methodist churches of the city are represented on the committee.

A Double Egg. Mr. Frank Anthony has a curiosity in the shape of an egg on exhibition at the Commercial Hotel. The egg at that place, in breaking an egg yesterday morning, found on the inside of the shell a perfectly formed egg of much smaller size. The shell is hard and the shape is perfect.

News in the County. John Butler, charged with threatening to assault a man named Sublett, was tried yesterday before Squire Thomas and required to give bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance in twelve months.

Squire James T. Lewis is quite sick at his home in Tuckahoe District. Dr. C. H. Hockoe is attending to him, but is not yet able to be at the Courthouse.

VIRGINIUS REYNOLDS. COLEMAN WORTHAM.

DAVENPORT & CO., General Agents

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To the Insuring Public:

Owing to the enormous increase in the number of fires and the consequent failure and retirement of many fire insurance companies, we have secured the services of our friends to assist the public in only the best and strongest fire insurance companies.

Below you will find the annual statement of the United States Branch of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company of England, for which company we are, and have been, agents for over twenty-five years.

Besides enormous assets in this country, the Home Office in England stands ready at all times to assist the United States Branch in times of great catastrophes. The reputation of our company for quick and equitable settlements of losses and liberality in carrying large lines is surpassed by none.

If we can serve you in any way, please command us.

Yours very truly,

DAVENPORT & CO., General Agents.

FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL STATEMENT. UNITED STATES BRANCH. THE LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., LONDON, ENGLAND, 1901.

ASSETS

Real Estate	\$1,985,837.09
Loans on Bond and Mortgages	\$3,069,650.00
Loans on Stocks and Bonds	1,725,912.50
State and City and Railroad Bonds	315,941.19
Cash on hand and in banks	\$201,000.00
Uncollected Premiums	1,141,385.12
All other Assets	45,773.02
Total Assets	\$10,315,311.02

LIABILITIES

Unadjusted Losses	\$32,214.04
Unearned Premiums	4,333,782.22
Special Policy Liability	315,941.19
All other Liabilities	\$13,690.65
Surplus	4,609,115.81
Total Liabilities	\$10,315,311.02

TWO BIG REALTY SALES LIKELY

New Postoffice Site May Have to Be Bought and Carnegie Library Located.

Realty business will take on new life soon. There are two reasons for this. One is that it is exceedingly likely that Congress will make the appropriation for the new postoffice building for Richmond. Every prominent business man of Richmond is working for it. Judge Waddill, who has more influence with the administration than any other one person, is one of the originators of the movement. Mr. Wray T. Knight, postmaster, is in his power to make the city the committee the absolute necessity for a larger building in order to conduct the ever-increasing business of the department. If the appropriation is made, the real estate men will be encouraged to offer the site for the new structure. Many places are talked of, and there is scarcely one of the enterprising realty men of the city who could not give many reasons why a certain lot he has is the very spot on which the new postoffice should be erected.

It is learned in an informal way that the Shaffer building has been offered. Of course it is not the plan to use the present structure, but to erect on this another building and connect it with the present Federal building.

Another matter which is stirring up the realty men is the selection of a site for the Carnegie Library. This is the next move to be made under the plan. The private secretary of Mr. Carnegie has acknowledged the receipt of the notice that the city has accepted the offer of Mr. Carnegie. The trustees of the library have been chosen. As soon as the \$100,000 will be received the draft of the plan will be received from Mr. Carnegie.

A number of first-class, centrally located lots have been suggested. The matters of location and price will chiefly concern the trustees in their selection.

Dr. Hicks Has License. Dr. S. D. Deane Hicks, who was reported for doing business without a license, appeared in the office of Commonwealth's Attorney Richardson yesterday. He has a license and was to be qualified to practice his profession. The charge against him will be dismissed.

SICK HEADACHE CURED. Its return prevented by Dr. David's Liver Pills. "Best on earth" for constipation, biliousness, indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles. They act mild, pleasant and effective. They are as well as grow folks, take them and all are cured. Get for a box of 25 pills everywhere. Owens & Minor Drug Company, Richmond, Va.

THE DIRECT ROUTE TO THE SOUTH. Without change of cars is the Seaboard Air Line Railway, passengers for Raleigh, Camden, Atlanta, Pinehurst, Columbia, Savannah, Jacksonville and St.